

**SOUTH BEND ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL**  
**PET ADOPTION APPLICATION**

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To ensure that this adoption is in the best interest of you, your family and the animal you select, we ask that you answer the following questions completely and honestly. Please remember that our #1 priority is finding the best home for the animals under our care. Also, consider that most of them have already had a difficult life and we do not wish for that to continue. Therefore, we reserve the right to deny an application for any reason that we think is not in the best interest of the animal. We may also suggest an alternate animal to assure that we are approving the best match possible.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

► List **ALL** of the animals that currently reside with you: \_\_\_\_\_

► What is the name of the vet/clinic that has the current vaccination records for your pet?

\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

► Not including the animals you listed above, have you had any pets in the past? YES    NO

► If yes, what happened to them? \_\_\_\_\_

► What type of home do you live in?

\_\_\_\_ Townhouse    \_\_\_\_ Condo    \_\_\_\_ Apartment    \_\_\_\_ Mobile Home    \_\_\_\_ Single-Family House

► Do you own this home? YES    RENT    LAND CONTRACT

► If you rent or are buying on a land contract, we will require permission from the property owner in order to complete your application. Please specify landlord, rental agency or land contract holder:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

► How long have you lived at your current residence? \_\_\_\_\_

► If less than three years, what was your previous address?

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

► How long did you reside at this residence? \_\_\_\_\_

► Are you planning to move in the next six months? YES    NO

► What will you do with your new pet if you move? \_\_\_\_\_

► Do you live with your parents? YES    NO

► How many adults in the household? \_\_\_\_\_

► How many children in the household? \_\_\_\_\_

► Ages of the children? \_\_\_\_\_

► How will you discipline your new pet? \_\_\_\_\_

► What will you do if your new pet shows destructive behavior? \_\_\_\_\_

► What kind of animal behavior(s) do you feel unable to accept and possibly return him/her to us?

\_\_\_\_\_

► How will your new pet be kept from running loose?

\_\_\_\_\_

► Do you have a fenced yard or dog run? YES NO

If yes, please describe the enclosure, including the dimensions height and size of the fence:

\_\_\_\_\_

► Are you financially prepared to provide this care and commitment? YES NO

► Which pet are you interested in adopting? (Please be descriptive as possible)

Name on card: \_\_\_\_\_

► Have you ever brought an animal to our shelter or to another shelter? YES NO

By signing this application I have read and agree to abide by the following conditions or terms:

- I will not to allow my pet to become a public nuisance because of loud or frequent barking, biting or intimidating passers by, running loose or other behavior that may infringe upon the rights of others
- I realize that I must *IMMEDIATELY* remove and properly dispose of any waste from my pet on any property
- I will provide proper and sufficient food and fresh water on a daily basis to my new pet
- I will have adequate facilities at my residence that will protect my new pet from the elements and provide a space that will allow him/her to freely move about and not be required to lie, sit or stand in his or hers own excrement.
- I will provide any and all veterinary treatment that my new pet may require throughout his/her lifetime.
- I will return him/her to South Bend Animal Care and Control if I am unable to properly care for my new pet.
- I will not to sell, give away or abandon my new pet without first contacting South Bend Animal Care and Control.
- I will not mistreat, abuse, fight or use my pet for experimental or medical research purposes OR allow anyone else to do so.
- I will allow South Bend Animal Care and Control to review my home at any reasonable time and to remove my pet if the home is unsuitable or if its officers determined that my pet is being neglected or mistreated in any way.
- I will abide by all Local, State and Federal laws that pertain to my new pet.
- I will pay all reasonable costs, including court costs and attorney fees, incurred by South Bend Animal Care and Control in enforcing this contract if I fail to comply with its terms.
- I will have my pet neutered by the date specified in the Spay/Castration agreement.
- I will have my new pet's health checked by a licensed veterinarian within 72 hours of the adoption.
- I understand that South Bend Animal Care & Control makes no representations or guarantees about any animal's temperament or health and that a pet's behavior may change after it leaves the shelter and accustoms itself to a new home.
- Any comment that an animal may be good with children or other animals or is housebroken is based upon information provided by the previous owner.

***We strongly recommend that pets be closely supervised when they are with children***

► I understand that The City of South Bend will not be liable for any future injury or damage which may be caused by your new pet.

► I understand that The City of South Bend makes every effort to adopt only healthy animals but makes no guarantees or representations about any animal's health and will not be liable for any future veterinary care or treatment the animal may need. Refunds will only be given for health related illnesses diagnosed by a veterinarian.

***I understand that South Bend Animal Care and Control will be contacting my veterinarian for vaccination and health histories for any pets that I have owned and authorize him/her to release that information to S.B.A.C.C. I am also aware that if my current pets are not up to date, the adoption may be delayed until they are vaccinated and acquire the immunity provided by the vaccines. Please be considerate of any delays we are only trying to assure that our pets are placed in the best possible home.***

***South Bend Animal Care and Control reserves the right to deny an application for any reason(s). These reasons may include but will not be limited to; misinformation given on this application, unvaccinated pets, inadequate facilities, past record of nuisance pets, recommendation of veterinarian or other animal welfare organization, history of animal abuse or neglect or already at the maximum number of pets.***

To the best of my knowledge the information in the above application is correct and true.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_